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FROZEN COOKED DICED CHICKEN, INVITATION NO. 18, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-324

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell frozen cooked diced chicken meat produced from fowl as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, March 3. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, March 7. Deliveries are to be made from April 16 to April 30.

Offers will be invited from approved suppliers for frozen cooked diced chicken meat, produced from ready-to-cook fowl (a class of mature female chickens), packed in four 10-pound (4.54-kg) packages to a net weight of 40 pounds (18.14 kg) in each shipping container. A purchase unit will consist of 1,000 shipping containers totaling 40,000 pounds (18,144 kg).

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <a href="https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?">https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?</a>. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-324, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Cooked Diced Chicken dated May 2007, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer; USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260; 1400 Independence Ave., SW; Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-324, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars, is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

ANNOUNCEMENT: PY324 INVITATION : 018

COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN

: 21 CHICKEN, DICED, FROZEN COMM TYPE

: 40 40 LB CTN PACK SIZE

ITEM NO			TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
DELIVERY PERIOD 04/16/08 - 04/30/08				
001	TAUNTON	MA	TRUCK ONLY	20,000
002	WORCESTER WILMINGTON	MA MA	TRUCK ONLY	20,000 40,000
003	CREEDMOOR	NC	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
004	COOKEVILLE	$\mathtt{TN}$	TRUCK ONLY	28,000
	LEBANON	TN	TRUCK ONLY	12,000
005 006	BLOOMINGTON LOGANSPORT	IN IN	TRUCK ONLY	40,000 40,000
007	VINCENNES	IN	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
800	HELENA	MT	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
009	COMMERCE	CA	TRUCK ONLY	10,000
	LOS ANGELES	CA	TRUCK ONLY	30,000
010	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	40,000
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TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION				400,000

Catherine V. Smith Contracting Officer

(202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

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